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Applicant : Juerg Haufe et al.  
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Sir:

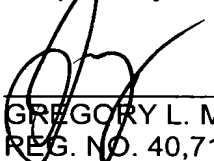
The above-mentioned new patent application was filed on December 5, 2003 without a signed oath or declaration, under the provision of 37 C.F.R. 1.53(f).

In accordance with the above-mentioned rule, enclosed herewith is the original signed declaration.

The undersigned hereby states that the application filed in the Patent and Trademark Office is the application which the inventor(s) executed by signing the declaration. MPEP 602 (8<sup>th</sup> ed., Aug. 2001).

The fee required for the late filing of an oath or declaration in the amount of \$130.00 is also enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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